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In re application of: <b>Yuval Shezifi, et al.</b>	
<b>For: Minimally Invasive Distraction Device and Method</b>	
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**Response to Restriction Requirement**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir,

This is a response to the office action mailed to applicant on Jun 4, 2009, requiring restriction.

Applicant elects group I, i.e. claims number 1-31, for further prosecution. Claims 32-34 are withdrawn from consideration at this time without prejudice. Applicant further requests upon allowance, the Examiner will reconsider the withdrawn claims and rejoin them to the application.

Our understanding is that no fees are due with the present submission. If this understanding is incorrect, or if at any time further fees are required to maintain the application in good standing in the Office, the commissioner is requested and authorized to charge any additional fees due to my Deposit Account No. 501-392.

Should the Examiner find any deficiency in this response or in the application, or should the Examiner believe for any reason, that a conversation with applicant's agent may further the allowance and issuance of this application, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact Shalom Wertsberger at telephone (207) 799-9733.

Respectfully submitted

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